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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Response to Restriction Requirement

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2002 please extend the period of time for response five months, to expire on April 2, 2003. Enclosed are a Request for Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

REMARKS

The Office Action sets forth a restriction requirement under 35 USC § 121, Applicant was requested to elect one of four designated groups as noted below:

- I. Claims 1-8 and 18, drawn to a peptide that inhibits complement C1s, and composition thereof, classified in class 530, subclass 300.
- II. Claims 9-17 and 19, drawn to a complement C1s inhibitor comprising a fusion protein, classified in class 424, subclass 192.1.

- III. Claims 20 and 22, drawn to a method of inhibiting complement C1s comprising administering the composition of Group I, classified in class 424, subclass 184.1.
- IV. Claims 21 and 23, drawn to a method of inhibiting complement C1s comprising administering the composition of Group II, classified in class 424, subclass 192.1.

In response to the Requirement for Restriction Election, Applicant elects with traverse Group I, Claims 1-8 and 18 drawn to a peptide that inhibits complement C1s and compositions thereof. Claims 9-17 and 19-22 are withdrawn from the case; however, Applicant reserves the right to pursue and prosecute these claims in continuation and divisional applications.

Early consideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested. If the Patent Examiner believes that a telephone interview would expedite prosecution of the patent application, please call the undersigned at (206) 442-6627.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Enclosures:

Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (in duplicate)  
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